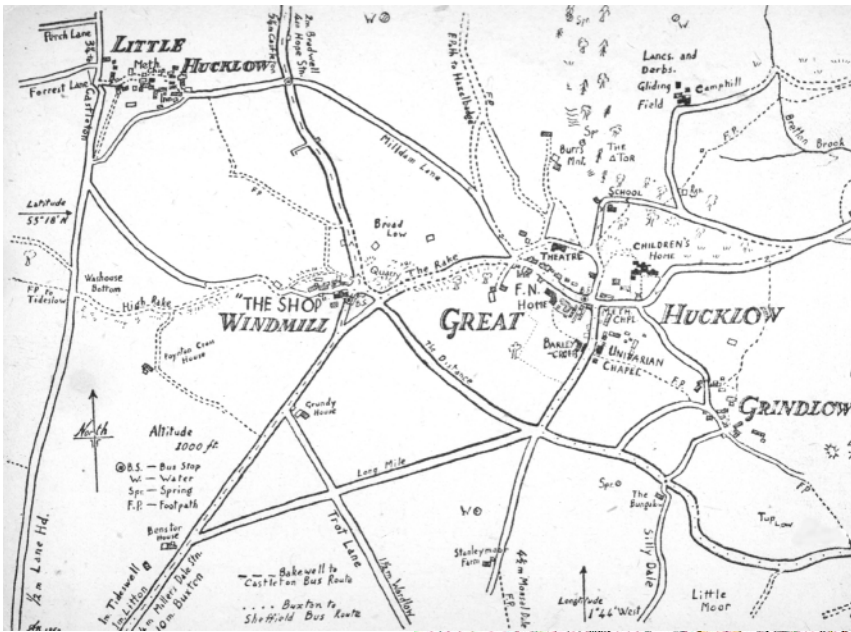


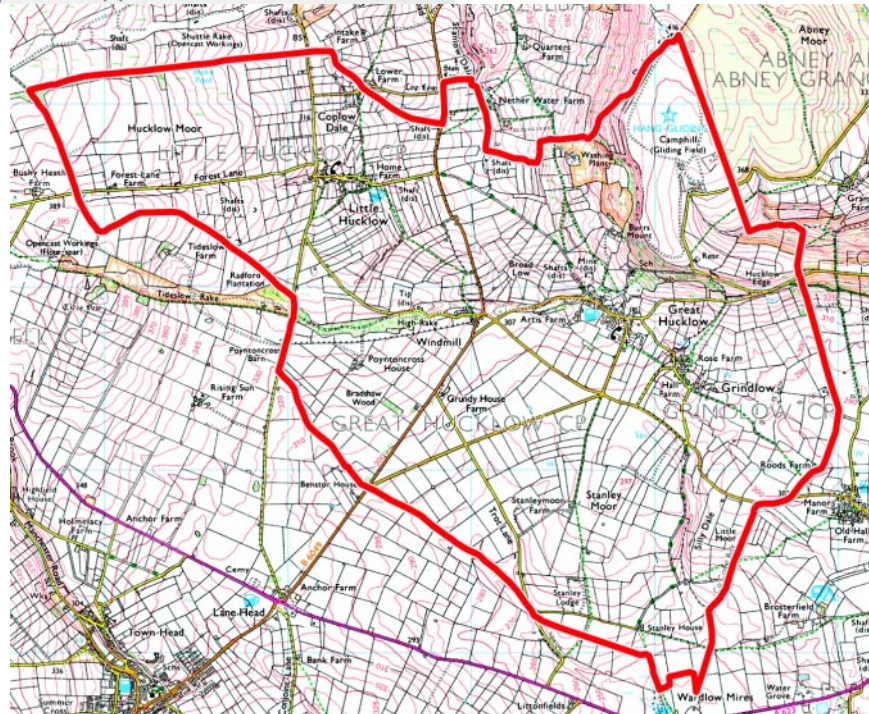


Great Hucklow Parish Plan

~ a future for the past and present



A 'postcard' map of the Parish from the 1930s



The Parish Boundary today

Great Hucklow Parish Plan

Includes the communities of:

**Great Hucklow, Little Hucklow,
Grindlow, Coplowdale and
Windmill**

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Old Mill Dam Mine, Great Hucklow



The same view approaching Great Hucklow village today

Great and Little Hucklow, Grindlow, Coplw Dale and Windmill

The Parish

The Parish includes the villages of Great Hucklow, Little Hucklow and Grindlow, the settlements in Windmill and Coplow Dale and outlying farms, there are 240 households in the Parish. The villages grew to importance owing to the geographical location on a lead vein which runs from Tideslow to Eyam, and its lead mining history has had a significant impact on the landscape and the heritage of the area. Agriculture has also played an important part in the history of the Parish which is surrounded by agricultural land, gritstone moorland to the east and limestone to the south and west.

The village was once famed for its Playhouse, founded and run by L du Garde Peach from 1938 to 1970, which latterly drew audiences of over 5,000 for each of its productions. Nowadays the Parish is known more generally for the Lancashire and Derbyshire Gliding field on the Camp Hill plateau above the village.

The nearest market towns are Buxton and Bakewell 12 miles and 9 miles away respectively. In Great Hucklow there is a thriving primary school and a pub, the Queen Anne. The Nightingale Conference Centre, which belongs to the Unitarians, is in the centre of the village and it is possible to hire rooms for village events. The Unitarian Old Chapel also has a small meeting room which is well used by the

community. There is no village hall and the school lacks a hall for school activities.

Little Hucklow has no meeting place, the old chapel now being in private hands. The pub has recently closed. There are no public facilities in Grindlow.

Most basic amenities are available in Tideswell which is two miles away where there is a bank, shops, post office and a health centre. A number of buses run through Great Hucklow during the day, the bus from Sheffield to Buxton runs every two hours but it is difficult to use public transport for work and health related appointments. Little Hucklow has no public transport.

Councils and Parliamentary constituencies:

The Parish Council - Great Hucklow

The District Council Ward - Bradwell

The County Council Ward - Bakewell

The Parliamentary Constituency - High Peak

The Parish Plan

The Village Officers from the Peak District National Park Authority suggested that the Parish should develop a Parish Plan. Derbyshire Rural Community Council supported the suggestion and it was agreed at a meeting of the Great Hucklow and District Community Spirit Committee and with the chair of Great Hucklow Parish Council in September 2005.



The process of preparing a plan gave everyone the opportunity to identify things they would like to see happen in the Parish and to reflect on what is so special about living here. Some suggestions can be acted on straight away, others will need further discussion and consultation and have been designated as longer term aims. Still others, after due thought, will not be carried forward.

Due to the established strength of Community Spirit and the supportive community in the Parish the consultation process and the development of this plan has been relatively straight forward. One of the immediate and positive results has been closer association of the villages. After discussing the responses to the questionnaire five groups were established and each has developed an action plan. The groups are:

Village services

Communications

Families, Children and Young People

Heritage, Conservation and Environment

Road Safety, Parking, Transport and Off-road Vehicles

Community Spirit

Community Spirit is a thriving community organisation which embraces the whole Parish. It was established more than twenty years ago by the young people in the village, some of whom are still resident. As the young people moved away their parents initially took over the running of the organisation which now includes membership from all the communities of the Parish. Amongst many other things the group organises the Well Dressing and Wakes Week, Christmas Tree Lights, Fell Race, Village Newsletter, entertainments and many other community and fund raising events.

The Chair and Clerk of the Parish Council attend the Community Spirit meetings.

In addition to Community Spirit there are within the Parish meetings of the WI, a darts and dominoes group, a newly formed book club and a mother and baby group. The Unitarian Movement has a strong presence in the village and their Conference centre is often used for village activities.

Easter 'Hats'



Events and activities organised by Community Spirit



Village planning and cooperation in action - restoration of the 'Butter Cross'

Christmas Lights





Gala Day



Fell Race



Well Dressing



Well Blessing



'Buggy Run'

Village 'away weekend'



THE PROCESS

The process of achieving the final version of our Parish Plan included the following sequence of events:

2005

- 11th Sep: Village meeting to discuss Lead Heritage – displays of old photographs of the village
- 14th Sep: Community Spirit meeting – discussion as to how to develop the Parish Plan
- 3rd Oct: Meeting with PDNPA Village Officers
- 12th Oct: Community Spirit AGM
- 14th Oct: Questionnaires circulated
- 27th Nov: Village supper and display of questionnaire returns and comments book. Display made up into three separate folders to be circulated to Windmill, Little Hucklow and those who were not able to attend the event
- 12th Dec: Community Spirit – discussion about next step for Parish Plan

2006

- Jan: Meeting to discuss Parish Plan held in Little Hucklow and door to door contact made in Windmill
- 23rd Jan: Parish Plan meeting – working groups agreed and dates set for meetings. Each group to produce action points
- 1st Feb: Information about working groups circulated to all households
- 6th Mar: Parish Plan meeting for feedback and to prioritise action points
- 24th Mar: Draft plan circulated
- Mid Apr: Second draft made available
- June: Plan printed

REPORTS FROM THE SUB-GROUPS

1. Village Services

*Audrey Abdi, Gillian Beer, Dinah Johnson,
Liz Greenfield, Phyllis Walton*

The Village Services Group looked into:

- Community venue
- Services
- Leisure and recreation

The responses to the questionnaire highlighted two related issues: neither the Parish nor community has a designated meeting hall and there is a desire for greater involvement between the community and the school.

A meeting hall would enable the school to provide PE and so offer a full curriculum and it would be a meeting space for the community's activities for leisure, education and health and wellbeing. With the development of the 'extended school initiative' there would be opportunities for working in partnership with other agencies for the provision of services for the school and the community. Overall, the benefits to school and community would be considerable and the hall would help maintain the viability of the school for the future.

A smaller venue in Little Hucklow is now a particular need since the closure of The Old Bulls Head. The possibility of using the Chapel is to be considered.

The questionnaire raised the question of a village shop. The group consider that, because of the size of the community and with the question of suitable premises, this is not viable. They identified many existing services however and recognised the need to communicate and advertise them. A farm shop is a possibility and is being seriously considered.

A PC/printer/scanner/copier readily accessible to the



Village Green - Little Hucklow

community would be well supported. This would provide a valuable opportunity to enable IT tuition and support with an emphasis on encouraging new users.

Several small leisure groups were suggested such as a walking group or gardening club. These are low cost requiring only one or two people with a particular interest to initiate. A book club and a pilates class have already begun and a local history interest group is evolving from the Lead Legacy project. Regular coffee mornings were suggested to provide a social meeting point. Little Hucklow has already started an informal one and Great Hucklow will have a monthly one starting after Easter.

Closed pub - Little Hucklow



2. Communications:

Gillian Beer, Tony Greenfield, Peter Miles

The aims of the Communications section of the Action Plan are:

To promote local activities and services, by ensuring that residents have appropriate and timely information.

To ensure that all residents have equivalent access to information about local activities and services.

To provide a village archive of information, covering the area's history and environment, as well as local activities and services.

To take advantage of the opportunities offered by the Internet while recognising that relatively few residents currently have access or training, nor are they likely to have in the near future.

The Great Hucklow Parish is a relatively widespread community, its two furthest points being 3 miles apart, and because of its rural situation residents are largely dependent on services and social activities provided within the Great Hucklow area and nearby villages.

In order to build a strong and vibrant sustainable community, we wish to promote these services and activities and to make information about them more widely known within the Parish, particularly for those more recent residents.

There is no comprehensive source of information for local people and a resident's ability to access information varies according to who you know, whether newsletters and newspapers are routinely delivered to your house, what local mailing lists you are on, and whether you have gleaned information from village notice boards and leaflets in shops and public houses.

To address these issues, we plan to develop a Residents' Pack of information about local groups and services. We also plan to enhance the highly regarded Community Spirit news leaflet to provide a wider range of information, and to supplement it with a Diary of Events. In addition, we plan to review and improve

our communication pathways to ensure that all residents receive village communications promptly and in a medium appropriate for their needs.

The Internet offers great potential for providing a self-service archive of useful information about the area. The village of Great Hucklow already has an Internet presence on a small website at www.hucklow.net and the owner is willing for this to be extended to become a more representative site for the whole Parish. In this respect there are plans to develop further content to be included on the site to address the needs of residents and others interested in the area.

We are very conscious that only a small percentage of residents has Internet access at the moment, and that communications must always be available on paper as well as electronically. However, we can see that residents could benefit greatly as Internet usage becomes more general; accordingly, we wish to encourage residents to develop their skills by providing Internet access and appropriate training.

The old Great Hucklow Post Office



3. Heritage, Conservation and Environment:

Patricia Miles, Pauline Salt, Hester Messom, John Whatley

The focus of this group was on the local environment. Areas discussed included:



Paved path on 'Pavey Lane'

Great Hucklow village troughs - then and now



Investigating whether a piece of unused land could be improved and managed by the community

Replacement of beech trees which are coming to the end of their life

Improvement of hedges and boundaries

Conserving the raised pavement between Grindlow and Foolow

Reinstating the flow of water to the village water troughs

Considering lane name signs and the proliferation of unnecessary road signs

The proposal is to work with the PDNPA Vision Project and other appropriate agencies in order to conserve and enhance the local environment.

On the more domestic side both the maintenance and enhancement of the village greens and the provision of seats on the greens are included in the plan

Issues around recycling were raised and a need for better information about recycling and the possibility of a plastics recycling container in the village.



4. Families, Children and Young people:

Anna Whatley, Ros Carter, Chasca Twyman

The number of children living in the village is increasing and many grand children are regular visitors. Currently there is nowhere for children to meet and play on neutral territory. A high priority action point from this group is the development of a play area that would provide fun and exercise for the whole family as well as being a spring board for social interaction and the development of other activities.

Great Hucklow Primary School is a flourishing and highly regarded school which attracts children from outside the Parish as well as local children. Many responses to the questionnaire identified the importance of the school and the community working closely together. Suggestions to support this included opening the school library for the community, a school garden development project and ways of reducing the impact of traffic during school collection period. The group also discussed the shared provision of a hall (see village services group) which could support the 'extended school initiative'.

The number of children is too small to support a wide range of activities in the villages but it would be helpful if information was available about a diverse range of facilities and services in the area (see communications group) Discussions are also taking place with the road safety group regarding safe crossings, bicycle lanes and footpaths.

The Children's Well, 2005



The School in the woods



5. Road Safety, Parking, Transport and Off-road Vehicles:

Bob Campbell, Sheila Martin, Peter Tapping

The aims of this section of the Village Plan are:-

To address concerns raised by residents in 4 main areas - road safety, parking, transport and off road vehicles

To meet and discuss with partners action that could be taken to remedy these issues

To ensure action to remedy issues raised is undertaken

The Village Plan Questionnaire identified 4 key issues as above. Road safety was of paramount importance throughout the Parish, other key areas were parking and off road issues. Accident black spots, but more importantly, perceived accident blackspots were highlighted, commonly at road junctions; congestion caused by on-street parking, particularly at school start and finish times, created a hazard especially for the children. Pedestrians and child cyclists using tracks and paths were at risk by the off road groups using these same tracks. The villagers' awareness of potential hazards and their desire to prevent accidents was commendable.

Another concern, important in providing equality of opportunity for everyone, was the need for a better public transport system. Whilst most people have their own transport there are those without, particularly young people. The problem with living in a rural community is the provision of regular public transport that best meets people's needs. Timetabling buses to coincide with trains, going and returning from work and providing a social evening service are required. In addition, a better bus service might encourage more car users to leave their car behind on occasion thus encouraging a more positive attitude to the environment.



The Windmill triangle - dangerous road crossings

Action Plans

Each of the sub-groups has developed action plans which are summarised on the following pages. Indicated on each of the plans are references to the themes advocated in Derbyshire Dales and High Peak Community Strategy (2006-09), and also, where appropriate, references to the Derbyshire Community Strategy, both outlined below .

We have also taken account of where our planned actions reflect elements in the current Management Plan of the Peak District National Park Authority whose help and assistance has been greatly appreciated.

Derbyshire Dales and High Peak Community Strategy 2006 – 2009

The Community Strategy is a blueprint for activities that will promote the economic, social and environmental well-being of the area. It has been developed by the Local Strategic Partnership. The LSP was established in 2003 and brings together local councils, public services, police, businesses, voluntary groups and residents, to work together to make both the High Peak and the Derbyshire Dales a better place to live, work and visit.

The eight themes for the strategy are:

- Theme 1 Furthering community participation and involvement**
- Theme 2 Affordable housing**
- Theme 3 A thriving local economy**
- Theme 4 Enhancing the natural and built environment**
- Theme 5 Access to services including rural transport**
- Theme 6 Opportunities for young people**
- Theme 7 Crime and community safety**
- Theme 8 Health**

Action points in the Parish Plan which relate to themes are indicated by the number of the theme.

Derbyshire Community Strategy 2003 - 2006

Priorities met by actions in the Parish plan:

Crime and community safety

- Reduce crime – especially burglaries in peoples homes

Children and young people:

- Improve and create more things for children and young people to do

Promote the safety, health and well-being of children and young people

Health and social wellbeing

- Improve access to health care services

Environment, transport and housing:

- Improve condition of roads, pavements, bridleways and cycle routes
- Increase use of public and community transport
- Increase the number of journeys by bus, by bike and on foot
- Improve road safety and reduce the number of people killed or seriously hurt in road accidents
- Protect and enhance wildlife and habitats in urban and rural areas

Lifelong learning and culture:

- Improve school buildings, libraries and internet access

Expand local cultural activities

Village Services Group 1

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|---|--|---|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Community Venue School Hall | Provide a designated community venue Bring together school and community. Enable the school to provide a full curriculum, including PE. Help the long term viability of the school. Provide indoor sports facility to School and community. Eg badminton, short tennis | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact head teacher Put proposal to Governors Discuss with Nightingale Centre the possibility of leasing/purchasing land Site specification Plans Research funding Consider maintenance costs and caretaking Discuss with owner the possibility for village usage with consideration to toilet facilities | DDDC DCC PDNPA Nightingale centre GH School Parish Council | Long term | |
| The Chapel Little Hucklow Th.1,6,8 | LH has no community venue A pressing need since the closure of the The Old Bull's Head | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with interested parties Invite further participants via a newsletter | | Short term | |
| Farm shop Th.3 | The group is aware of a resident's interest in setting up a farm shop and consider this to be a more viable alternative to a village shop. This might incorporate some of the existing services and have the benefit of providing a social meeting point | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with the Queen Anne Source supply of newspapers Assess demand via newsletter Discuss with Queen Anne Alt. Wed. 11am from 19th April Discuss with Queen Anne | Queen Anne Newsagent | Medium to long term | LG to initiate |
| Sunday papers | There is no Sunday paper delivery. The group considered a similar provision in the Parish may be well supported | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with Queen Anne Source supply of newspapers Assess demand via newsletter Discuss with Queen Anne Alt. Wed. 11am from 19th April Discuss with Queen Anne | Queen Anne Newsagent | Short term | AA, DJ |
| Regular coffee morning | To provide a social meeting point The provision of these facilities in the community would be well supported | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with Queen Anne Alt. Wed. 11am from 19th April Discuss with Queen Anne | Queen Anne | Short term | AA |
| Internet café PC/photocopier Printer/scanner Th.1,3 | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research costs and funding NB a designated phone line | Queen Anne Communications group | Medium term | |

Communications Group 1

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| <p>Ensure all residents have access to all publicly circulated communications</p> <p>Th.1</p> | <p>Residents in outlying farms and smaller villages may not receive all communications currently.</p> <p>Word of mouth information may not reach all residents.</p> <p>There may be 'accessibility' issues, e.g. large print required.</p> <p>As the Internet becomes more pervasive, this policy is needed to ensure that those without Internet access are not disadvantaged.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review leaflet distribution responsibilities to ensure that all households are visited including outlying farms. Consider feasibility (siting and funding) for a notice board for Windmill. Develop policy to ensure that all communications are available on request in 'accessibility' formats. | | <p>By April 2006</p> <p>By April 2006</p> <p>By April 2006</p> | <p>Community Spirit</p> <p>Gillian Beer</p> <p>Communications group</p> |
| Residents' Pack for new and existing residents | Residents may not be aware of all local facilities. New residents would benefit from an information pack about the area. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree format (A5 booklet?) and funding for first edition – each household to receive a copy. Collate information. Request permissions for inclusion. Consult with community groups and residents. Achieve Community Spirit sign-off for publication. Publish first edition on paper and on the Web. Circulate paper copies to all residents. Agree on-going maintenance arrangements. | Villagers, Local social groups & service providers | <p>First edition for Gala Week, Aug 2006 (sample word-processed copies, Web)</p> <p>Printed copies for residents available 2006/7 subject to funding.</p> <p>New residents to receive word-processed copies from Aug 2006</p> | Gillian Beer |

Communications Group 2

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--|
| <p>“Telephone tree” for each village</p> <p>Th. 7</p> | <p>A mechanism is needed for rapid dissemination of information in an emergency, e.g. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.</p> <p>Need to ensure that all residents can be contacted promptly.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are now Neighbourhood Watch representatives in each village. Register village representatives with Neighbourhood Watch RingMaster. • Village representatives to set up telephone tree for their village and relevant outlying farms. | Police | End April 2006 | Phyllis Walton (Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator) |
| <p>Publish a monthly rolling Diary of events</p> <p>Th. 1</p> | <p>To build a strong community and to counter social isolation, we wish to encourage residents to take part in local activities. While Community Spirit events are well publicised, information about other social groups and events may not be readily available to all residents.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage contributions from local groups. • Publish Diary monthly, showing events for the next three months or so. • Diary to be available on village notice boards, in the Queen Anne and on the Web. | Local social groups and organisations | Starting March 2006 | Peter Miles |
| <p>Expand the scope of the existing bi-monthly Community Spirit leaflet</p> <p>Th. 1</p> | <p>There is a need to provide a single information source for village news. Information is currently distributed across a range of publications, not all of which are readily available to all residents.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand leaflet to two sheets (eight pages) where necessary, but maintain bi-monthly publication. Include items external to Community Spirit: events and articles of local interest. • Agree funding with Community Spirit. | Local social groups and organisations | Immediate | Peter Miles |

Communications Group 3

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|---|---|--|-------------------|---|--|
| Develop village web pages on www.hucklow.net Th. 1 | The Internet provides an opportunity to create a long-term, readily available archive of village information, e.g. Residents' Pack. It will also provide an additional means of access to information, e.g. village Diary. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conformance has agreed that the village website can reside on the Conformance server. Agree 'storyboard' and house style for initial web pages. Develop and publish initial web pages. | Conformance | For Gala Week, Aug 2006 | Gillian Beer Peter Miles |
| Promote use of email for village communications Th. 1 | Email provides an opportunity for rapid and reliable village communications. Where residents prefer, they could opt to receive information by email, e.g. Community Spirit newsletter, Diary and village notices. Shared village email addresses, perhaps Diary@hucklow.net , VillagePlan@hucklow.net would provide a facility for residents wanting to contact Community Spirit electronically. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advertise this facility through the Community Spirit newsletter and on the website. Agree Data Protection wording for collation of email addresses. Ensure that all items circulated by email are also available to residents as a leaflet or on notice boards. Conformance has agreed to set up a small number of village email addresses. Publicise village email addresses as appropriate. Agree arrangements for appropriate Community Spirit representatives to check email. | Conformance | Collate email addresses – mid 2006 As required | Peter Miles Gillian Beer Peter Miles |
| Provide access to an Internet-enabled PC Th. 5 | There is a need to ensure that residents without PCs / Internet access are not disadvantaged. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify a location where a PC and Internet access can be made available to residents. Establish initial and on-going funding. | To be determined | Medium term – depends on funding | To be determined |

Families, Children and Young People Group

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|--|--|--|--|------------------------|---------------------------|
| <p>Activity Park: Skate park, dry & all weather area, wildlife & nature area, meeting point, football posts & netball area</p> <p>Th. 6, 8</p> | <p>Meeting point on neutral territory Facilities for families, including grandparents, to entertain children Exercise for all Takes noise and boisterous children away from the road and village green Catalyst for other activities i.e. football club Safety away from traffic</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss possible locations • Funding • Design – competition • Liaise with other villages about success of their plans ie Peak Forest • Research into facilities needed | <p>Unitarians Parish council School</p> | | |
| <p>Links with school over finishing time</p> <p>Gardening project</p> <p>School gives village life and hope</p> <p>Th. 1, 6</p> | <p>To reduce length of time and disruption to the village</p> <p>Improve the sense of community of the school</p> <p>Develop children's knowledge of gardening</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion with school • Library facilities opened up to village • School to advertise events on village notice board | <p>School</p> <p>School garden development group</p> | <p>Started already</p> | <p>Parents and school</p> |
| <p>Communication: Database of young peoples activities List of facilities i.e. pre-school and childminders</p> <p>Th.6</p> | <p>Lack of knowledge Duplication of facilities and groups in other areas is unnecessary Helps bring communities together</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaise with communications sub-group | | | |

Heritage, Conservation and Environment Group 1

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| <p>Uncultivated land on the right hand side of the road leaving the village towards Windmill and the line of beech trees to the left of the road</p> <p>Th.4</p> | <p>The land is now covered in scrub, the footpath blocked and access difficult</p> <p>The group felt it was very important to maintain the rural nature of the land whilst opening it up to the splendid views and making it more accessible</p> <p>Some of the beech trees are coming to the end of their natural life</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish ownership – it is probable that the land is in local ownership, evidence for this is being sought Negotiate and formally agree with owner scrub clearance and maintenance Discuss the possibility of placing boulders or tree trunks strategically so they can be used as 'seats' Discuss with land owner the possibility of planting beech saplings to ensure continuity Develop planting scheme and management plan and apply for grant to fund it | <p>Vision Project PDNPA English Nature</p> | <p>Short to medium term planning and ongoing</p> | <p>JW,PS and PM to make initial enquiries over ownership</p> |
| <p>Countryside conservation To include raised pavement between Grindlow and Foolow</p> <p>Th. 4</p> | <p>Ensure continuation and renewal of natural habitats and features</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with Vision Project to suggest extension of their work Promote Vision project to volunteers who may wish to help | <p>PDNPA Vision project</p> | <p>Short term planning and ongoing</p> | |
| <p>Hedges and boundaries</p> <p>Th.4</p> | <p>Hedges being 'hacked' back, fallen walls etc Particularly the hedge to the left of the road leading from Great Hucklow up Hucklow Edge bordering land belonging to the Nightingale Centre</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss with landowners/ local authority Consider innovative solutions such as inviting walling/hedging courses to run in the area To be considered in conjunction with the renewal of the water pipe to the troughs | <p>PDNPA Vision project DCC</p> | <p>Long term</p> | |

Heritage, Conservation and Environment Group 2

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|---|--|--|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Water troughs on left of road out of GH towards Grindlow Th. 4 | Flow of water to troughs blocked | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gather information about water flow Use volunteers to dig new trench , lay and connect pipes Alternatively apply for grant to re-establish flow | Nightingale Centre Vision project | Short term | Nick Williams with support from all |
| Village Green, Great Hucklow Th. 4 | To continue to enhance the appearance of the village | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Green should be kept tidy, provide colour during the year, be easy to maintain and be in keeping with the rural nature of the area Agree with the Parish Council appropriate payment for maintenance Arrange for maintenance to be carried out Discuss and agree what would be the most appropriate flowers for the situation | | Short term | Community Spirit |
| Village Green, Little Hucklow Th. 4 | As above | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree with Parish Council payment towards fuel and strimmer cords Discuss with LH community which bulbs they would like, ask Community Spirit for contribution towards purchase of bulbs | | Short term | PS Community Spirit |

Heritage, Conservation and Environment Group 3

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|---|---|---|--|---------------------|--|
| Seats for village greens Th. 4 | Seats in GH will need replacing in due course and LH have no seat at present | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When new seats are needed careful thought should be given to the design Possibly hold a competition for the design of a seat | | Medium term | |
| Road signs, telegraph poles etc Lane name signs Th. 4 | Unsuitably sited and unnecessary signs/poles detract from the appearance of the area Nothing to record the local road names at present | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make a record of all offensive/obtrusive signs Research legal implications of changes Recommend rationalisation of signs Consult with the communities & DCC Agree design etc Apply for grant | DCC DDDC PDNPA Parish Council | Medium to long term | JW PS for LH |
| Recycling | Difficulties over recycling plastics and large cardboard items Possible bonfire ban | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish what facilities are available and where they are Ensure everyone has the information Lobby for improved/more local facilities if needed | DDDC | Short term | HM to gather information. Plastics can go in PB bins, cardboard in green wheely bins. No bonfire bans at present |

Road Safety, Parking, Transport and Off Road Vehicles Group 1

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
|---|--|---|---|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| <p>Road Safety: Improving visibility across B6049 Windmill to Tideswell / Great Hucklow junction</p> <p>Th. 7</p> | <p>Perceived danger, difficulty in seeing what is coming both in a car and as a pedestrian</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Convex mirror? Discussion of other alternatives | <p>DDC Highways</p> <p>Parish Council</p> | <p>Short to medium term</p> | <p>SM/BC</p> |
| <p>Improve visibility: Access onto B6049 form LH, Anchor Inn crossroads, crossroads at bottom of Dirty Lane HG, junction of Trot Lane and B6049, junction of Foolow road and Grindlow</p> <p>Th. 7</p> | | | | | |
| <p>Traffic calming control: B6049 junction, Windmill, through both villages</p> <p>Increase safety measures: crossroads Windmill to Foolow road. Reduction in the size of lorries using B6049 through Windmill to Tideswell and Bradwell</p> <p>Th. 7</p> | | | | | |
| <p>Road gritting Windmill/LH</p> <p>Lack of grit boxes at Windmill</p> <p>Th. 7</p> | <p>Dangerous corner, steep gradient, severe bend. Difficult junction. Residents with mobility problems</p> <p>Salt box only provided on opposite side of Windmill Junction B6049 – need box on Windmill side</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grit roads Provide grit box | <p>DCC Highways</p> <p>Parish Council</p> | <p>Short to medium term</p> | <p>SM/BC</p> |
| <p>Parking GH – school start and finish times along main street is congested with vehicles Residents not using own drives/garages</p> <p>Th. 7</p> | <p>Perceived danger spot for children – narrows the road Denies access to residents drives and garages</p> <p>Adds to congestion</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cut brambles along School Lane Residents to make use of own drives/garages. Discussion needed | <p>Community Spirit Parish Council</p> | <p>Short to medium term</p> | <p>PT</p> |

Road Safety, Parking, Transport and Off Road Vehicles Group 2

| Issues | Why Action is Needed | Action | Possible Partners | Timescale | Lead Responsibility |
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| Transport a) Better bus service in the evening b) Buses to coincide with working day Th. 5 | Access for non drivers particularly teenagers Environmentally friendly | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve early and evening bus service | DDC transport. Private bus company | Short to medium term | PT |
| Off Road Vehicles Reduce/prohibit use of green lanes by off road vehicles a) Silence Mine b) Great Hucklow Woods c) Silly Dale Th. 4,7 | Destroys environment, unacceptable noise levels, difficult ground for walkers, lack of responsible riding practice – danger to local people | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain pressure by other user groups. Declare site for other purposes (SSI) make into BOATS/RUPPS, dialogue with Off road groups-local agreement. Provide alternative site | BMC/RSPB. Ramblers Assoc. Vision Project. PDNPA DDC Highways Lafarge? | Medium to long term | PT |
| Walking/cycling path to Tideswell Th. 5,7,8 | B6049 is dangerous to walk along footpath is non existent in places. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was felt that it would be impossible to develop a new footpath across agricultural land The best option was to have a footpath/cycle path reinstated on the verge from Benstor Farm to Anchor Cross Roads | DCC Highways | Medium to long term | PT |

Grateful Appreciation

We wish to express our grateful thanks to all who have helped in the process of compiling this Parish plan, for those who have taken part in the meetings of the sub-groups and to those who volunteered to write up the action plans and helped in putting the final document together.



Buttercup,
Speedwell and
Yellow Rattle in
a local meadow

Cow Parsley on Stanley Moor Lane



The whole process has been enormously useful not only in getting to know what Parishioners see as ways in which our community and its environment might be enhanced and improved but also as an exercise in communication - people across the Parish talking to each other about mutual concerns and issues - and subsequently getting to know each other beyond mere nodding acquaintance.

We hope that this process will continue in follow-up work and in the projects which might arise out of our deliberations.

It should be pointed out that although the Parish Plan is published under the aegis of the Great Hucklow Parish Council its production has been organised and conducted through the good offices of the Great Hucklow and District Community Spirit Committee - for the simple reason that there are only five Parish Councillors and it would have been impossible for them to have carried the burden of work necessary to achieve this end result.

We are particularly grateful to Hester Messom for taking the lead responsibility in the organisation of the process and to Daniel Yates and Adelle Metcalfe at the Peak District National Park Authority for all their help and support.

Peter Miles

Vice Chairman, Great Hucklow Parish Council



The remains of High Rake Mine, circa 1905

Silence Mine landscape today



Other Current Projects in the Parish:

Lead Legacy

Prior to the decision to prepare a Parish Plan the Community Spirit had embarked on a project to document the lead legacy in the area. The outcomes of the project will be:

A small book

A trail map

An oral history

A web site

Three interpretation boards

A grant has been received from the Local Heritage Initiative to implement the project.

Silence Mine Project

In addition to preparing the Parish Plan a number of local people are supporting this project which is being taken forward by Great Hucklow Parish Council and Foolow Parish Meeting working closely with the PDNPA Vision Project.

The aim of the project is to form a trust in order to buy four hectares of land situated between the two villages and previously used for lead working. The land is of both archaeological and environmental interest. The site will be managed to conserve and enhance the wildlife and historic interest and will be open for access to all visitors on foot.

Both these are community projects and although not arising out of the planning process are an important adjunct to the final plan.



Bee Orchid and Purple Orchid at Silence Mine





Judging the 'Great Potato Race', 2005

Pictures from the Parish

Exhibition of local crafts in the Old Chapel



The 'Bladder Man' and Doris Dancers - Gala Day 2005

Parishioners on Golden Jubilee Day, 2002



Summer in Little Hucklow



Winter on Camphill



The view of Little Hucklow from Windmill





Grindlow, Spring and Winter



Hucklow meadow - Spring



Old barn, Little Hucklow

Past glories of Great Hucklow village - The Playhouse and the Holiday Homes

